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SUBJECT: ESTABLISHMENT OF MAIN BATTLE TANK MANUFACTURING
FACILITY IN GREECE

1. THE HELLENIC ARMY COMMAND HAS ISSUED CALL FOR BIDS
TO BE SUBMITTED NOT LATER THAN 6 APRIL 1977 FOR THE
ESTABLISHMENT OF A BATTLE TANK MANUFACTURING FACILITY IN
GREECE CAPABLE OF PRODUCING 100 TANKS ANNUALLY. PROJECT
WOLD BEGIN WITH PURCHASE OF ASSEMBLED TANKS THEN GO TO
ASSEMBLY AND EVENTUALLY TO MAXIMUM INDIGENOUS PRODUCTION
OF ASSEMBLIES, SUB-ASSEMBLIES, COMPONENTS AND PARTS

2. INVITATION TO BID STATES "THE GREEK GOVERNMENT INTENDS TO
ESTABLISH THE CONDITIONS FOR MANUFACTURE OF MAIN BATTLE TANKS
IN GREECE. TO ACHIEVE THIS GREECE IS READY TO COOPERATE WITH
A FOREIGN SPECIALIZED FIRM WHICH COULD OFFER LICENSE AND KNOW HOW"

3. INVITATION TO BID WAS GIVEN TO THE EMBASSY BY BRIGADIER
GENERAL GEORGE DELIYIANNIS OF HELLENIC WAR INDUSTRIES WHICH IS AN
ORGANIZATION OF THE MINISTRY OF DEFENSE. GENERAL DELIYIANNIS
REQUESTED THAT THE CHRYSLER CORPORATION BE NTIFIED. HELLENIC WAR
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INDUSTRIES HAS HAD CONTACTS WITH GERMAN, FRENCH, BRITISH AND
PERHAPS OTHER FOREIGN FIRMS CONCERNING THIS PROJECT

4. IN VIEW OF THE VERY SHORT DEADLINE, IT WOULD BE APPRECIATED
IF THE DEPARTMENT COULD NOTIFY APPROPRIATE OFFICIALS
OF CHRYSLER CORPORATION AND OTHER INTERESTED FIRMS IMMEDIATELY
AND HAVE THEM CONTACT GENERAL DELIYIANNIS AT THE MINISTRY OF

DEFENSE IN ATHENS CONCERNING THIS PROPOSAL. EMBASSY HAS PASSED
COPIES OF THE INVITATION TO BID TO LOCAL CHRYSLER AND FMC
REPRESENTATIVES BUT MINISTRY REQUESTS CHRYSLER BE CONTACTED
DIRECTLY IN THE U.S. ASAP.
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